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PEOPLE BACK EAST would never recognize this as a winter scene, but for those who appreciate the many moods of Carmel Valley, the signs are unmistakeable -- clouds trailing wisps of fog rolling in over darkened hills, while barren oaks stand strong in a field already turning green.

MOTHER NATURE DOES HER OWN DECORATING at Christmastime in Carmel Valley, draping oaks with filmy garlands of pale green moss, a lovely December sight for those who have time to drive through the upper Valley.

EDITORIAL. . .

Some more thoughts about fragmenting Carmel Valley

When the county board of supervisors voted 3-2 last week to approve a tentative map redistricting the county, it left Carmel Valley intact within the 5th supervisorial district.

Those voting against this proposal were our own supervisor, Willard Branson, and Ellis Tavernetti, who represents the large third district.

Mr. Branson was rather upset over this decision, since he had proposed a map that would have sliced Carmel Valley at Valley Greens Drive. This line is a couple miles east of his own residence, which is located in Rio Vista, in the Lower Valley.

Our supervisor has made the point that Carmel Valley would be better off with two supervisors instead of one, since the Valley's problems could then be solved "by getting just one more outside vote instead of two."

Maybe so.

This same logic would seem to apply to Monterey.

However when the board's redistricting chopped a bit more into Monterey (giving it to Supervisor Smith's 4th District), the mayor of Monterey, Mr. Al Madden, had a public apoplexy.

Mr. Branson and Mr. Madden evaluated the standard of "community interest" as applied to Monterey a lot more important than the "community interest" of Carmel Valley.

Maybe so.

But the fact of the matter is that Monterey has its own city government, while Carmel Valley depends entirely on the supervisors for all its government. The needs of the two communities are indeed quite different.

We really don't blame Mr. Branson for wanting to unload his Carmel Valley headaches. But since he very carefully identifies himself as a Carmel Valley resident, we daresay his demand that Carmel Valley be split is entirely self-serving.

Actually, we are sure most Carmel Valley residents wouldn't mind being in any district - whether it be the 4th or 5th. But the CVPOA has spoken strongly on a single district, and it speaks for a lot of people. Other than Branson's own voice, no one in the Valley has publicly seconded Mr. Branson's position.

Should he not be more responsive to his electorate? And if he doesn't want to represent us, couldn't he then propose a solution that would still leave us intact? (We might even go for a little gerrymandering that would give him Monterey, Carmel and his own home, since it's only a quarter of a mile or so from Carmel, together with the South Coast area.)

At any rate a final decision is yet to be rendered, and some more political infighting is sure to take place. But we do hope that the people of Carmel Valley speak up on this issue now - if we are split, we'll stay split for a long time to come. We may cause the supervisors a lot of trouble, but we are a special kind of area with a lot of special kind of problems. But they're all legitimate and we would like Mr. Branson, as one of us, to reconsider his untenable position, since it would only aggravate them. GMD

BOB WOOD REPORTS. . .

A REGULAR COLUMN BY BOB WOOD,
ASSEMBLYMAN - 34TH DISTRICT

In reviewing the state's present financial problems it reminds me a little of the many years we (the bank and I) raised small white beans in the Salinas Valley. I would predict to my banker how many sacks per acre I thought we would produce and then I would guess at what I thought the price would be according to the usual amount of carry-over and depending on the number of bean eaters we had throughout the nation. He would usually reduce each figure by about 20 percent and loan me enough money to operate during the year on that basis. The bank never took a chance in gambling 100 percent because after all it was using someone else's money, the same way as the State is using someone else's money. Your money. Your tax money.

The largest form of income money to the state is through the method of state income tax and state sales tax. Our financial experts predict what the income should be under normal conditions and then deduct a certain percentage just like the banker did with the small white beans and then when the budget is adjusted to cover the expenditures and services needed by the people in the state the financial analyst sets a tax rate based on a predicted economy that he feels will bring in enough income to cover the expenses and keep the state in the black.

Once in a while, we had a year when I didn't make as many sacks per acre as I thought I would, and the price did not hold up as I predicted it would and once in a while on rare occasions it dropped below even the minimum figures set by the banker. The state finds itself under somewhat similar circumstances this year. This year the estimated income was far below the estimated amount that the experts predicted would come into the state through income tax and sales tax. The economic slump of last summer was not predicted at the time the fiscal year began in the summer of 1968. The state is faced with dwindling receipts under the present tax structure because of the continuing business and industrial slump. The deficits in our state government which appears at present to be somewhere in the amount of $300 million is mostly composed of a combination of decreasing tax receipts and large increases in the cost of welfare and medi-cal.

The Governor has suggested and will propose to the Legislature that hard core welfare recipients be put on public works like the depression area civil conservation corps. He said this would be in return for welfare checks and I agree with him 100 percent. We have so many constructuve things that need doing right here at home. If a man is to be given welfare monies then the people that are working and paying the bill can expect some kind of a return, and I honestly feel that the average man would be happier working rather than drawing a check and doing nothing.

The state finance director told the department heads that 18 to 20 thousand people a month are being added to welfare rolls in Los Angeles County alone. When I mention working on many public projects I am not talking about the aged, the blind, the disabled, foster children or the mentally ill. I am talking about those who are actually physically able to work and can work. As legislators our problems will be to find ways and means of cutting the cost to fit the pattern in state finances and at the same time provide bare necessities for those programs to which the state is committed.

P.S. When returning from an agricultural meeting in Los Angeles the other day, the United flight flew directly over the burned area in South County and although the bulk of the area still looked black I could detect a little green grass beginning to push through the ashes especially near the trails themselves. If you remember, the service told us the trails were re-seeded by helicopter two or three weeks prior to the re-seeding of the rest of the burn.

Merry Christmas from our family to yours,

BOB WOOD

The Rhyming Philosopher

RENASCENCE

A secret place have I in cloistered trees
Where I may be alone and hid from view,
And far enough away from noise and pleas
Of children of all ages, adults too.

Or, if I have but moments to retire
From small unanswered questions, just to muse,
I find my self by gazing in the fire
Or out a darkened window, as I choose.

To be alone is not to be apart
From loved ones, but to search my need to be;
To realize togetherness in heart
And so aware of living's ecstasy.

Alone, but not alone my mind explores
My loves and angers, wishes and portent
As rains of reason washes and restores
The sagging soul with sweet replenishment.

To snatch a needed holiday I seize
An hour or but a minute's blest release
To balance my defeats and victories,
And reconcile togetherness with peace.

No. 353 Harry W. Fletcher

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Supervisors vote to keep Valley in one district, but

Branson would rather have Monterey "intact"

BY PAT GRIFFITH

Those who want Carmel Valley to remain a single political entity won the first skirmish before the Monterey County Board of Supervisors last week, but all indications are that the real fighting over representation is just beginning.

In a 3-2 vote, the board approved a tentative redistricting plan which would put more of Monterey into Loren Smith's fourth district, but would keep the Valley undivided as part of the redrawn fifth district.

Strongly opposed to the proposal was Supervisor Willard Branson, whose own redistricting plan calls for splitting the Valley into two districts at Valley Greens Drive while retaining his present two-thirds hold on Monterey.

In talking with the Outlook on Monday, Branson reiterated his earlier statements that he feels Carmel Valley would gain, rather than lose, influence if the area east of Valley Greens Drive were put into the fourth district.

"I don't think of this as dividing the Valley, I really think of it as getting more help," Branson said. "I don't understand why people don't realize that with two supervisors representing them, they would have more weight before the board ... it would be easier to pick up that third vote."

Branson conceded he could see there was an argument on the other side -- namely that by splitting the Valley's small number of votes into two districts, the Valley would have even less numerical strength with a given supervisor than it has now.

"Whether it is split or not, I'm still going to work for the whole Valley," Branson said. "But frankly it is getting to be a pretty heavy burden, and while I can carry the load ... I'd sure like some more support on some of the things that come up."

The supervisors will have another chance to look at the proposed redistricting in early February, after the Planning Department has had time to draw up detailed maps, and after the final census figures are in.

In the meantime, Branson said, he plans to "let the smoke clear" and see what develops.

Monterey Mayor Al Madden has denounced what he calls "making a jigsaw puzzle out of Monterey" and he and others in Monterey have vowed to fight any plan that would put them in the same district with Seaside.

"I had checked with every mayor in my district before I made my proposal," Branson said, "and I knew how they all felt. Since last week's vote I've had all kinds of telephone calls from groups and individuals in Monterey saying they are going to fight this thing ...

"I've never felt so much pressure in such a short time from so many people, The general consensus is we don't have a community of interest with Seaside. I'm particularly hearing from old Monterey people, whose roots go deep, who feel Monterey has a special historical interest ...

"They feel that because they're an urban area they only need one supervisor, and they don't need one with a great interest in Seaside."

Branson added that he has lived in this area for 40 years, and grew up in Monterey as a youth "so I have a strong feeling for the historical interest too. While now I spend more of my time representing Carmel Valley, that doesn't mean my heart isn't in Monterey too."

While agreeing that Carmel Valley and Seaside have no "community of interest", Branson said he feels the Valley and the Hidden Hills area do have common interests, and that the stretch between Highway 68 and the top of the Grade will be part of the fourth district.

A somewhat different interpretation of the redistricting arguments was given by Smith, who told the Outlook that he has received only three calls since last week's vote, and all supported his position.

"It is amazing how quiet everything is," Smith said.

Smith repeated his belief that Seaside and Monterey share many interests and noted that he already represented about one-third of Monterey, and would just be increasing that representation.

"I think maybe one reason you're seeing this protest from some quarters in Monterey is more a question of how much the city can affect the control of the board by being able to elect a supervisor.

"But I didn't see anywhere in the Supreme Court ruling where it said only cities were to be taken into consideration in redistricting."

Smith said he feels that a community of interest has been building up from Fort Ord on through the Monterey Peninsula for the past several years, "and anyone who would be divisive in that is not helping things at all."

Smith said he feels Carmel Valley should be kept as a single entity, and that he doubts the Valley would gain anything by having two supervisors on the board.

"In almost every case it is the number of voters within a district who have the most say on what the supervisor does," he said.

Smith added that while he hopes the Valley will not become part of his district, he would continue to be strongly interested in the Valley and its problems.

"I'm sure the people in the Valley know that nothing is going to alienate my affection," he declared.

They weren't moving San Clemente dam . . . just a big rock

Eagle-eyed Cachagua residents thought they had a major clue to the whereabouts of a new dam location last week when they saw heavy equipment working near the present filter plant.

Bulldozers were in evidence, there was blasting going on, and nearby residents concluded that this was the preliminary work involved in moving the filter plant to make way for a new dam.

Not so, replied David Fiscus, division manager for California-American Water Company in Monterey.

Fiscus explained the heavy road equipment was called out to improve one stretch of the road to San Clemente Dam after a water company truck failed to negotiate a sharp curve two weeks ago and plunged down a bank into the river. No one was injured.

The blasting was to knock out a large rock that jutted out into the curve, which had forced trucks to move over onto the shoulder until the shoulder eventually gave way.

The road work should be completed by now, Fiscus said, and the equipment will be withdrawn. He said the only other activity in the area might be workmen renewing sand in some of the filters.

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By Mildred Hattan

THERE WAS A BIRTHDAY PARTY in Vacaville last week honoring a very special resident who has made the Valley his home for 70 plus years ... Perry L. MacDonald. Chauffered by his daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. William Vaughn, who are next door neighbors in Robinson Canyon, Mr. MacDonald arrived at the home of his son, Raymond, where a family reunion and reception had been planned by the MacDonalds and their children, Hugh, Barbara, Mary Beth, David, Claire, Douglas and Gregory. His daughter, Sister Elizabeth Joan of Notre Dame Convent in Watsonville was there to offer her contratulations as were his nephew and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Harry MacDonald of Bryte, California. The inscription on the large sheet cake served to the 30 friends and neighbors who dropped by was as rare as the active **centarian** himself ... **"HAPPY 102nd BIRTHDAY!"** The cake was topped with a miniature corn patch, attesting to the fact that Mr. MacDonald's hobby is raising some of the best corn grown in Sunny Carmel Valley. 'Tis also rumored that seed for the Robinson Canyon patch came originally from Paul Bunyan's Minnesota Farm. A believer of this tale is Outlook photographer George T.C. Smith who once stopped by for a chat, left his car parked on a corner of the garden, and when that MacDonald corn broke out of the ground the stalk caught the bumper of Smitty's car and lifted it eight feet right up into the air!

Valley-ites are as superstitious about beginning their good luck for a new year to the blasts of a MacDonald steam whistle as those souls who insist on eating creamed herring at the stroke of midnight. A retired steam engineer, he has for many years stoked up the boiler and greeted the infant New Year with joyous defiant blasts.

A Canadian by birth, Picton, Ontario, is his home town, he arrived in California when he was 18 years old and was later to own the Carmel Dairy Depot.

The OUTLOOK joins a lengthy list of admirers in extending congratulations, affection, and best wishes for his ... 103rd year!

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PROFITS FROM A SUCCESSFUL BAKE SALE held recently by members of the Seventh Grade Catechism class at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church were used to take the group on a pre-holiday roller skating party at the Del Monte Gardens Roller Rink. Accompanied by their advisers, Mrs. Kevin Walsh and Mrs. Erasimo Belleci were Katie Walsh, Katherine Belleci, Steve Sherman, Dennis Tavares, Peggy Draper, Richard Smith, Laura Valpey, Laurent Longfellow, Melody Mancebo and Brad Klemek.

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WHERE WOULD YOU FIND party fare including sweet tamales, green enchiladas, pictio de gallo, Mexican chocolate and Mexican bread ... why at the Mexican Christmas party held last week at the Plaza Linda, of course. Hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Dean Diaz, sr., and Mr. and Mrs. Dean Diaz, jr., a group of friends were invited to enjoy an evening steeped in customs and tradition from South of the Border. Trees and wreaths trimmed with native ornaments and a Santa who had fallen under the burden of a well-filled pack had been made by the Diaz families to add to the pleasure of their guests. They were assisted by Mrs. Michael Navarro and Danny Tavares. Entertainment was provided

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WHEN THE FRANKE CHILDREN heard that Santa Claus was coming to town on Saturday they volunteered their services for "Operation Sky Watch" and promised to alert other Valley youngsters should his plane be sighted before the estimated f light arrival of 10:30 Saturday. Evan, 2½, an old hand at this Christmas business, describes St. Nicholas for his ten-month old twin sisters, Tanna and Hailey, as "chubby and plump, a right jolly old elf" ... Tanna seems interested in "the bundle of toys he had flung on his back" ... while Hailey is stunned by the news that "his clothes are all tarnished with ashes and soot!" The Carmel Valley Community Center Board cordially invites you to join Mr. and Mrs. Richard Franke and their handsome youngsters, all of Village Dr., at the Valley Airport for Santa's arrival and the Christmas party which will follow at the Community Center.

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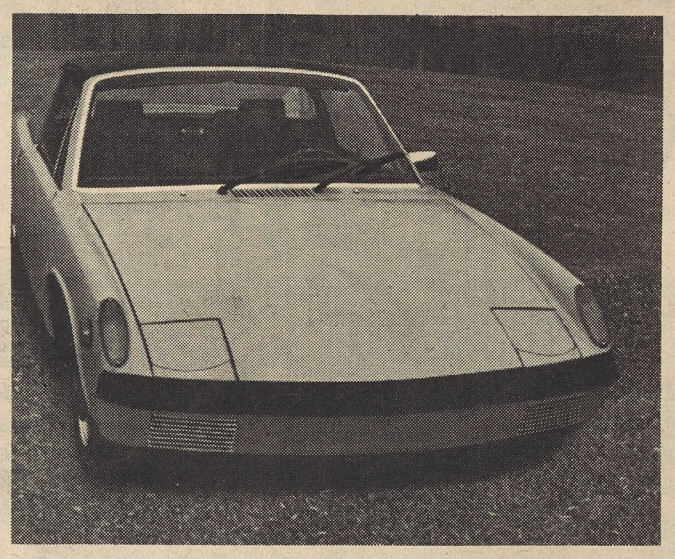

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by Mrs. J. Mediano and her troupe of young entertainers from Alisal; Pete Ruster, who plays the guitar; and a fashion show by the Chrysalis Shop. Among those attending were Messrs. and Mmes. Frank Adamson, Lou Allaire, Sam Corona, Sam Jury, John Casarez, Glen Mewhinney, Larry Cummings, Charles Gansel, Mal Tavares, John Skolinski, T. Marquis, E. Lefors, Luther Washington, John Emerson, Jack Hermanson and Virginia Ford, Joyce Jenkins, Evelyn Niebla and Virginia Miller.

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THE CONFIRMATION OF SIX YOUNG PEOPLE at services last week at the Valley's St. Philip's Lutheran Church was followed by a reception given in their honor by the Lutheran Leaguers. Honored by the progressive dinner were Sheryl Moore, Tim Parker, Maureen Downey, Eric Hiaasen, Ted Buck and Jeff Ryan.

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MRS. JOHN HALLISEY ENTERTAINED with coffee and dessert last week at a party of fashions modeled at her Jamesburg home by Mrs. Sara Farr. Braving the rainy drive to Maggie's party in the Upper Valley were Louise Warner, Penny Haller, Gina Welch and Carolyn Tugel.

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THE KEY CLUB of Carmel High co-sponsored by the Kiwanis of Carmel Valley and the Carmel Kiwanis held Charter Night on Saturday, Dec. 5. Representing the Valley Club were Chuck Strathmeyer, Fred Fisher, John Scroggs and Frank Young. Among the guest speakers were Key Club governor, Steve Carlson; lt. governor, Larry Mann; president, Ward Gillette; faculty advisor, Henry Avila; Kiwanis district officers Lynn Davis, lt. governor and Grant Teeters, district chairman. Valley members were also among the 300 Kiwanis and Key Club members attending the Special Recognition Dinner on Dec. 3 held at the Town and Country in Salinas. Valley-ites attending were Dean Campbell, Rick Pfitzer, jr., Keith Howell, Jack George and George Clifford.

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BABY BOYS BORN A DAY APART increased the Valley population by two during the last week of November. Arriving on Nov. 25 was Jason Martin Askey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Askey and on the 26, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Richards of 150 El Cammito announced the arrival of their son, Jimmy David. Both babies were born in the Community Hospital.

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A CONTINGENT OF CARMEL VALLEY LIONS made up a Car-valcade and drove to Centerville last week where they were guests of the Centerville Lions Club for the celebration

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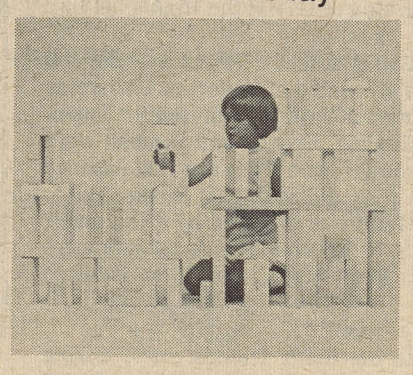

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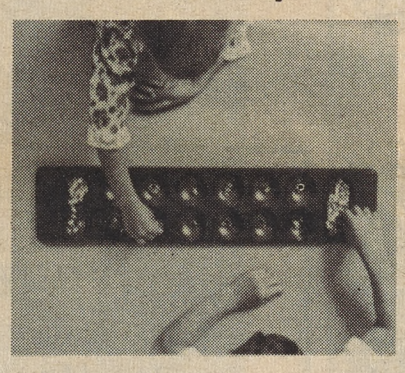

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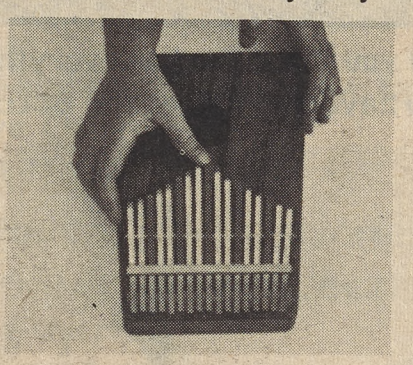

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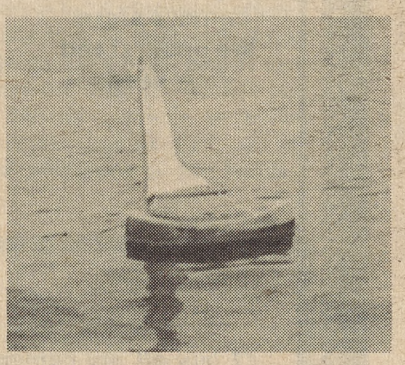

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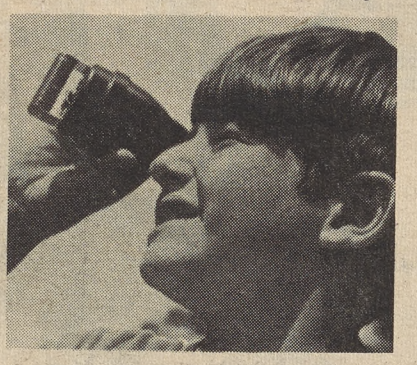

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of Pop Goold's birthday. Presenting him with a Carmel Valley baked "Sponge Cake" (real sponges) were Jim Goold, Art Fosso, Clifford Bolgard, Mal Tavares, Gary Kitt, Charlie Gansel, Herman Tedrow and Leroy Dufur. Recent appointments for forthcoming club projects are Lloyd Todd and Sterling Mummert who will co-chairman the annual Flag Day presentations to be held Febr. 19; and Art Fosso, "Wine and Roses Ball" chairman who will announce the date of the dance at a later date.

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A SPECIAL GUEST at the Adobe Oaks home of her daughter Carrie Papineau and family has been Mrs. J.A. Partride who recently returned to her home in South Laguna. During her visit she enjoyed a fireside dinner with the Frank Papineaus at Lou's Casa Carmela.

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NEW NEIGHBORS on Lilac Lane in the former Don Morse home are Mary and Bill Ijams and daughter, Terry, who formerly lived on Paso Hondo.

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FORMER HOLMAN ROAD RESIDENT, Mrs. Gerald V. Barron was recently elected to the state board of Lawyers' Wives of California at the 1970 California State Bar Convention held in San Mateo County. Betty, wife of the late Gerald Barron, is the president of Monterey County Lawyers' Wives. Mrs. Robert O'Connell, incoming president from Sacramento of the State organization, appointed Betty as their press representative. The state board two day conference is scheduled for May of 1971 at the Highlands Inn.

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HARTNELL COLLEGE CHAMBER SINGERS under the direction of Vahe Asianian presented a concert of Christmas music last week at the Carmel Valley Community Chapel. Carols traditional of the English, French and Spanish were enjoyed as well as Latin motets, two from the Renaissance period and one modern. The musical gift to the public presented by the Chapel Guild was followed by a tea under the chairmanship of Mrs. S. N. Trevino. Her assistants were Mrs. Elbert Wade, Mrs. Fred Clark and Mrs. Edward Chappell.

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SAYING GOODBYES to the many friends made during their two year stay in the Valley are Lt. Cdr. and Mrs. Frank Erhardt of Berwick Drive. With their children, Greg, Todd, Kaye and Cris, the Erhardts arrived on Dec. 19 of 1968 to be Valley residents while Cdr. Erhardt obtained his Bachelor of

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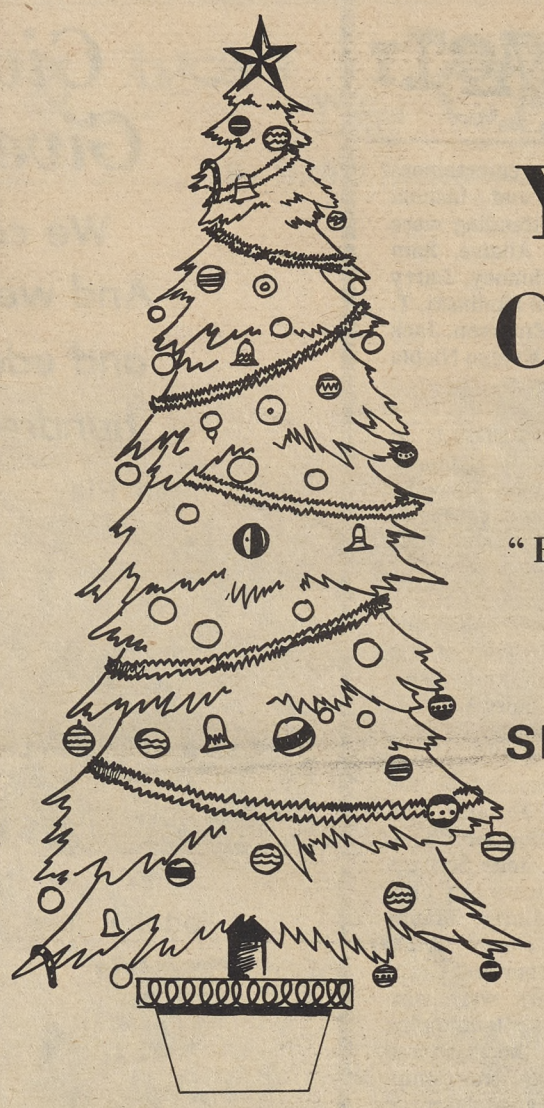

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Science at the Naval Post Graduate School. By coincidence on the 19th they will be returning to their former home in Virginia Beach, Virginia. They will be accompanied across country by another Navy family who has been stationed in Monterey and hope that Old St. Nicholas will know that they are taking the Texas route along the Rio Grande and find the town where they will be stopping for Christmas.

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EGG NOG, FRUIT CAKE and Christmas punch were enjoyed by the ladies invited to the lingerie party last week at the Rancho Tulares home of Mrs. Thor Rasmussen. LeVoy Fashions co-ordinated and commentated by Namoi Takacs were modeled by Mrs. Gerald Cook and Mrs. William Farr. Enjoying Pam's hospitality were Mmes. Virginia Card, Eva Doelman, Mary Clark, Louise Friday, Valerie Spaulding, Phyliss Burns, Joyce Oross, Joyce Mayers, Pat Zampatti, Doreen Cunkle, Imogene Speiser, Paula Washington and Ethyl Radowicz.

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THE BANK OF AMERICA in Carmel Valley Village has never looked as festive as it does this holiday season with a liberal samplings of "Originals by R. AND M." used throughout the building. "R" is of course, Mrs. Lou (Ruth) Allaire of Paso Mediano and "M", her partner in beautiful handcrafted decorations of native materials, Mrs. Don (Myrna) Weber of Deer Meadow Place. The artistic touches of the talented twosome have added for years to numerous social and civic affairs. Focal point of their bank display is a nine-foot tree created on a frame of chicken wire covered with pine cones ... sliced lengthwise for a pineapple effect; cone ends like a rose of carved wood; or in their entirety in every size imaginable. Straw flowers, seed pods, gourds and other bits of native materials gathered from the floor of the Valley to the heights of the Sierras combine to make exquisite table arrangements, wreaths, and swags ... any or all would add just that touch of perfection to the holiday decor of any home or business.

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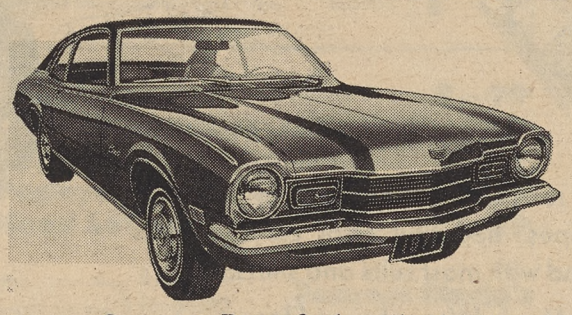

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Carmel Valley 'Halfway House' nears reality

Joseph Askey, director of the Milestone Foundation, moved into the pool house at Rancho Del Robledo Monday night with the expectation the property will soon be purchased for a drug halfway house and rehabilitation center.

Askey plans to meet in the immediate future with W. Clement Stone, wealthy Chicago insurance man, who is considered almost certain to purchase the 37-acre spread in Robles, valued at $275,000, for the Milestone Foundation.

At the same time, it was announced that a board of directors has been set up under the temporary leadership of Dr. C. Winter Van Horn of Carmel Valley, who will serve as medical director for the Milestone project.

Among those who have agreed to serve on the board are the Rev. Oscar M. Pitcock, pastor of the Church of Religious Science in Monterey; Ralph Blumenthal, a retired Army chaplain now working with the probation office; Carmel attorney Edward G. Bernstein, James Jordan of Carmel Valley, a substitute teacher; John Smithpack, a Monterey tavern owner; William Leone, a psychologist living in Del Rey Oaks; and Mrs. Barbara Siino of Carmel Valley.

Two additional persons, a doctor and a scientist, are likely to be named to the board also, making a total of eleven.

Dr. Van Horn said that an advisory board, composed of many people throughout the Monterey Peninsula who want to assist the project in some way, will also be announced this month.

Dr. Van Horn said that the proposed drug rehabilitation center has received increasing support since last month's meeting at the Community Center. Several individuals who expressed doubts about the project at that time have since changed their minds and volunteered their support, he said.

Since that meeting, Dr. Van Horn and Askey have made several appearances before school and civic groups, discussing the drug scene in a candid, factual manner. Their audiences have ranged from students at Seaside High School to the NCO club at Fort Ord. They will appear on an hour-long "Dialogue" program on Channel 46 this month, and are also scheduled to go to Los Angeles to be on the Merv Griffin show.

THE TOWN CRIER

MRS. MURIEL DOBRY of the Carmel Valley Outlook has been elected secretary of the Advertising Club of the Monterey Peninsula for the coming year at the first annual election of officers of the Advertising Club meeting held at the Shutters.

Other new officers are president, Evert Thompson of Advertising Architecture; vice-president is Robert Allen, advertising director of Palo Alto-Salinas Savings & Loan; and treasurer is Harold Hallet of Herald Printers. These officers will serve for a period of one year.

Elected directors for a two year term were Lee Darragh, public relations director of Del Monte Properties; John Keller, advertising manager of Monterey Savings; Budd Sheesley, vice president of Envex Corporation of Burlingame; Joane Lang of Key Magazine; and Craig Bowen of Whitman Bowen, commercial artists.

Hold-over directors to serve another year are Ted Bjerke, owner of KRSA Radio; Bud Zimmerman, telecast manager of MPTV; Bob Campbell, advertising director of the Monterey Herald; and Bill Lindsey, sales manager of KMBY.

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THE DEL MONTE HYATT HOUSE has announced that it will give a Children's Christmas Party, on Monday. All children on the Monterey Peninsula are invited to attend. The Monterey Park and Recreation Department is cooperating in this First Annual Children's Christmas Party, which will feature "Punch and Judy" shows at 2 and 4 p.m., presented by puppeteer - artists Charles and Carolyn Winans. This classic Christmas entertainment for Children lasts about a half hour, and the Winans explain the show to the children. The Christmas Party will be held in the Monterey Ballroom, where the Hyatt House management will serve popcorn and Christmas punch to the youngsters attending.

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THE CITY OF CARMEL will again say Merry Christmas to gardeners and conservationists by giving away trees, on a first come-first served basis, Saturday morning from 8:30 a.m. to noon at the post office parking lot at Fifth and Dolores Streets in Carmel. Monterey pines and Sierra redwoods will be given to all who would like to plant them, as long as the supply lasts.

CLASSES IN CREATIVE DRAMATICS for children are now being given by Gina Welch, who has taught dramatics for three years with the Carmel Valley Cooperative Nursery School. Classes are held for two age groups Friday afternoons at Subud House east of the Village. Enrollment is open, at $1 per session, and further information may be obtained by calling Mrs. Welch at 659-2440.

LES PEDRICK, acting president of the Procrastinators Club, called last week to let us know that club members had sent out all their Christmas cards early this year—their 1968 Christmas cards. He said the group has also named four Californians to share the title of Man of the Year—John Wayne, Bob Hope, Max Rafferty and Ronald Reagan. "They are being honored for their life-long support of the Armed Forces," Pedrick said, "which we find very heart-warming considering that none of them ever served in the Armed Forces."

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THE PILOT OF THAT PLANE that buzzed the Carmel Valley airstrip three times about dusk last Wednesday was somebody's friend, but not Al Hood's. Hood said the plane, which was "noisy but not unsafe," had no intention of landing, but was trying to get the attention of someone on the ground.

Hood said that because of the repeated protests from some people in the Valley regarding his Unicom antenna, he decided not to use the communications system, as he has in the past, to tell an offending plane to buzz off.

"Episodes like that happened all the time before we began to operate the airstrip," Hood said. "But I'm getting so sick of all the complaints—if people don't want us to use the Unicom, all right, maybe we won't."

Hood said that in recent months, instead of buzzing someone's house to get attention, pilots have used the Unicom to ask Hood to call a friend in the Valley, who could then be at the airport to meet the plane when it came in.

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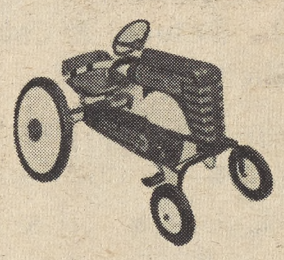

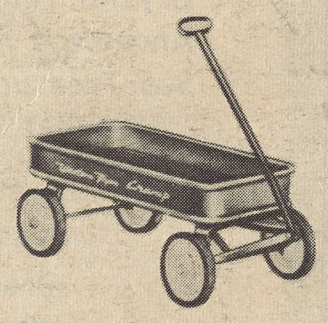

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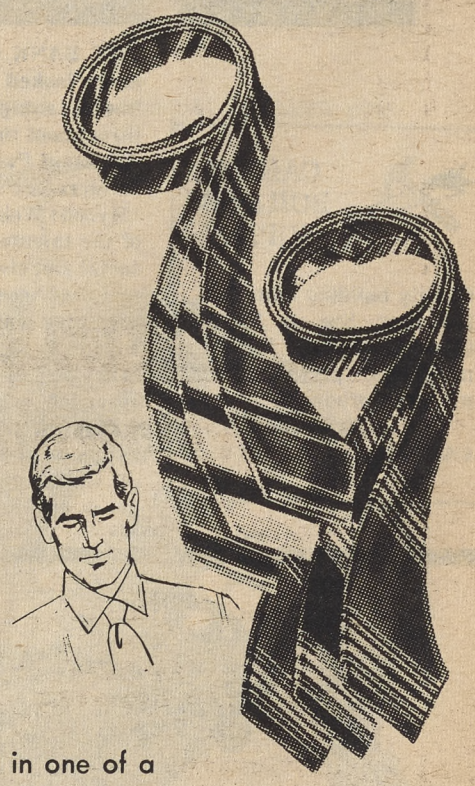

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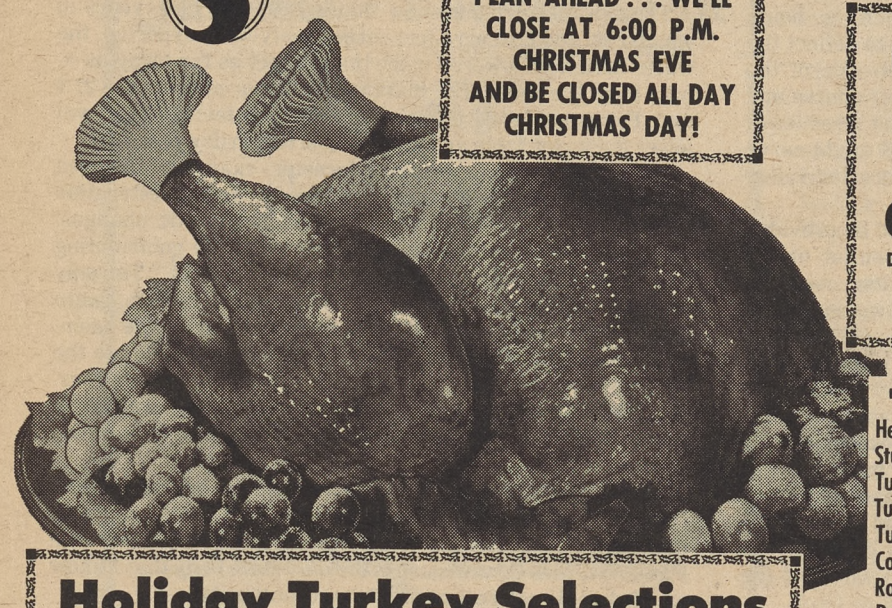

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Turkey Roasts	Manor House Boneless 3½-lb. U.S.D.A. Grade A	$3.59
Turkey Roasts	Honeysuckle 2½-lb. U.S.D.A. Grade A	$3.19
Turkey Breasts	Armour Star U.S.D.A. Grade A—Lb.	89¢
Cornish Game Hens	Manor House U.S.D.A. Grade A—1-lb., 4-oz.	68¢
Roasting Chickens	Tasty Bird U.S.D.A. Grade A—Lb.	59¢
Ducklings	Manor House, U.S.D.A. Grade A—Lb.	64¢
Fryer Parts	Manor House Breasts, Drumsticks, Thighs, U.S.D.A. Grade A—Lb.	66¢
Whole Fryer Legs	U.S.D.A. Grade A—Lb.	59¢
Canned Hams	Armour Zip Top—5-lb. Tin	$5.29
Smoked Hams	Whole or Half, Hock Removed—Lb.	69¢
Boneless Hams	Cudahy, Armour, Hormel, Oscar Mayer—Lb.	$1.49
Pork Loin Chops	Center Cut—Lb.	99¢
Boneless Pork Roasts	Butt—Lb.	78¢
Leg of Pork	Fresh, Half or Whole—Lb.	79¢
Sliced Bacon	Safeway—1-Lb. Package	65¢
Sliced Bacon	Dubuque "Mississippi" 1-lb. Package	54¢
Italian Sausage	Buno Tasto, Regular or Hot Seasoning—Lb.	98¢
Pure Pork Sausage	Safeway, Bulk—Lb.	77¢
Fresh Oysters	Captain's Choice—10-oz. Jars	79¢
Fresh Crab Cocktails	Captain's Choice—4-oz. Jars	43¢
Fresh Shrimp Cocktails	Captain's Choice 4-oz. Jars	43¢
Large Raw Prawns	Captain's Choice -In Shell—2-lb. Box	$3.78
Italian Salami	Gallo, Galileo, Marconi—13-oz. (8-oz. 97c)	$1.36
Rib Club Steaks	U.S.D.A. Choice Beef—Lb.	$1.46
Standing Rib Roasts	U.S.D.A. Choice Beef—Lb.	$1.19
Boneless Chuck Roasts	U.S.D.A. Choice Beef—Lb.	84¢
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Market Steaks	Boneless U.S.D.A. Choice Beef—Lb.	$1.88
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New York Steaks	Boneless U.S.D.A. Choice Beef—Lb.	$2.06
Top Sirloin Steaks	Boneless U.S.D.A. Choice Beef—Lb.	$1.68
Safeway Franks	All Meat—1-lb. Package	64¢
Dubuque Franks	All Meat—1-lb. Package	67¢
Ground Beef	Regular Grind Safeway Quality Controlled—Lb.	57¢

Pork Picnics Fresh Shoulder Roasts Half or Whole—Lb. **48¢**

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Medoc Wine	Kressmann—24-oz.	$1.86
Margaux Wine	Kressmann—24-oz.	$2.10
Victoria Le Lauret	Kressmann—24-oz.	$2.14
Les Palmes	Kressmann—24-oz.	$2.23
Beaumont Wine	Kressmann—24-oz.	$2.54
Chambellan	Kressmann—24-oz.	$2.54

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Turkey Lacer	Package	21¢
Libbey Glasses	Citation Wine, Cocktail or Champagne—Each	46¢
Heavy Duty Foil	Kitchen Craft 18" x 37½' Roll	52¢
Snack Napkins	or for Beverages, Kleenex—24-Count	19¢
Accent Tissue	Lady Scott, Facial—100 Sheet Pkg.	19¢

DISCOUNT PRICES

Danish Cookies	Deer Park, Assortment—16-oz.	54¢
Busy Baker Snaps	Cocoa, Ginger, Vanilla or Lemon—2-lb.	54¢
Sunshine Coolers	Apple, Cherry or Lemon—10-oz.	41¢
Nabisco Snack Crackers	All Varieties—Reg. Size	46¢
Pretzels	Party Pride, Ring, Twist, Stick, Rod—Reg. Size	35¢
Snackers	Busy Baker Rye, Cheese, Bacon—10-oz.	39¢
Snack Crackers	Busy Baker—1-lb.	39¢
Ovenioy Bread	Round Top or Sandwich—1½-lb. Loaf	31¢
Brown & Serve Rolls	Flakey Gems, Twin, Half & Half, Poppy Seed—Reg. Pkg.	31¢

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Gillette Foamy	Surf, Lime or Menthol—11-oz. (Regular—11-oz. 88c)	93¢
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Creme Shampoo	(10c Off Label) Head & Shoulders—5-oz.	$1.63
Lotion Shampoo	(9c Off Label) Head & Shoulders—6.5-oz.	$1.35
Head & Shoulders	(10c Off Label) Shampoo—4.3-oz. Tube	$1.44
Cough Syrup	Romilar CF—3-oz. (For Children—3-oz. 94c)	$1.32
Listerine Antiseptic	(20c off)—32-oz.	$1.62

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Brown Sugar	Spreckels or C&H—1-lb. Package	18¢
Powdered Sugar	Spreckels or C&H—1-lb. Package	18¢
Lemon Juice	Realemon Reconstituted—24-oz.	42¢
Corn Oil Margarine	Fleischmann's—1-lb.	39¢
Soft Margarine	Fleischman's Corn Oil—1-lb.	44¢
Margarine	Sunnybank, Corn Oil—1-lb.	29¢
Jell-well Gelatins	All Flavors—6-oz. Package	15¢
Condensed Milk	Eagle Brand, Sweetened—14-oz.	38¢
Yams	Jack O'Lantern, In Heavy Syrup—16-oz.	23¢
Wild Rice Mix	Uncle Bens Long Grain White Rice—6-oz.	57¢

SUPER SAVER **Minced Clams** Sea Trader—8-oz. **33¢**

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Stanton's Gin	80 Proof—½-Gallon	$7.29
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Blended Whiskey	Coldbrook, 80 Proof—½-Gallon	$7.89
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Birds Eye Peas	With Cream Sauce—8-oz.	28¢
Peas and Potatoes	Birds Eye With Cream Sauce—8-oz.	29¢
Glazed Carrots	Birds Eye, With Brown Sugar—10-oz.	28¢
Meat Pies	New Size Banquet, Chicken, Turkey or Beef—36-oz.	87¢
Country Waffles	Aunt Jemima—9-oz.	42¢
Sara Lee Rolls	Parker House, Finger, Sesame, Butter Gems—Package	39¢
Croissants Rolls	Sara Lee—5½-oz.	48¢
Holiday Pies	Bel-air Pumpkin or Mince—Reg. Size	39¢
Ice Cream	Lucerne Party Pride Egg-Nog, Spumoni, Merry Mint, Other Flavors—½-Gallon	73¢
Niblets Corn	Green Giant, Cream Style—10-oz.	29¢
Le Sueur Peas	In Butter Sauce, Green Giant—10-oz.	37¢
Vegetables	In Butter Sauce, Bel-air Beans, Corn, Peas or Mixed—Regular Size	25¢
Fried Chicken	Banquet—14-oz. (2-lb. $1.75)	90¢

DISCOUNT PRICES

Donuts	Mrs. Wrights Plain, Sugared or Cinnamon—Bakers Dozen	49¢
Old Fashioned Donuts	Mrs. Wrights—Dozen	59¢

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Edwards Coffee	2-lb. Can (3-lb. Can $2.23) (1-lb. 88c)	$1.49
Freeze Dried Coffee	Edwards—8-oz. (4-oz. 98c)	$1.56
Lucerne Coffee Tone	16-oz.	59¢
Hills Bros. Coffee	Reg. or Elec. Perk 2-lb. Can	$1.61
Hills Bros. Coffee	Regular Grind 1-lb. Can	91¢

SUPER SAVER **Cranapple Juice** Ocean Spray 48-oz. Glass **58¢**

DISCOUNT PRICES

Ring Mold Salads	Lucerne, Gelatin—24-oz.	49¢
Lucerne Dips	All Varieties Except Guacamole—8-oz.	36¢
Lucerne Butter	Grade AA—1-lb.	81¢
Cream for Whipping	Lucerne—Pint	73¢
Cream Topping	Lucerne Aerosol—7-oz.	46¢
Sour Cream	Lucerne—Pint	54¢
Lucerne Egg Nog	½-Gallon	89¢
Buttermilk Biscuits	Pillsbury—8-oz.	11¢
Biscuits	Hungry Jack, Regular or Buttermilk—9½-oz.	24¢
Cookies	Pillsbury Slice and Bake, Sugar or Chocolate Chip—Reg. Size	52¢
Large Grade AA Eggs	Cream O' The Crop Dozen	47¢
Medium Grade AA Eggs	Cream O' The Crop Dozen	43¢

DISCOUNT PRICES

Cream Cheese	Lucerne—8-oz. (3-oz. 15c)	37¢
Nibbling Cheese	Hoffmans Danish—10-oz.	65¢
Dorman Bombel Cheese	8-oz.	79¢
Baby Gouda	Holland Hum, Imported—10-oz.	98¢
Cocktail Cubes	Laughing Cow—4-oz.	62¢
Danish Cheese	Safeway Port Salute, Samsoe, Tilsit or Tybo, Approx. 12-oz. Pkg.—Lb.	$1.20
Muenster	Orange Rind, Safeway, Random Weights Approx. 12-oz. Package—Lb.	97¢

SUPER SAVER **Whipped Topping** Party Pride Frozen 9-oz. Carton **45¢**

DISCOUNT PRICES

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Statement at PUC hearing

Ed Lee says trees dying because of wells

Ed Lee, president of the Carmel Valley Property Owners Association, testified at Monday's hearing of the Public Utilities Commission regarding the California American Water Company's request for a rate increase.

Lee blamed the gradual destruction of vegetation along the banks of the Carmel River in the mid-Valley area to the increased pumping from wells by the water company, and urged the PUC to withhold approval of the rate increase until the water company presented plans for irrigation near its wells.

This is Lee's statement:

"Supplementing the diversion of water and impounding of water from the Carmel River by pumping and exporting ground water from the lower Carmel Valley basins to supply water to the Monterey Peninsula has adverse and damaging effects on the property of residents in the valley. The destruction of riparian vegetation which binds the sandy river banks and holds the river in its course has already led to damaging erosion near Farm Center where wells have been in operation since 1959. This is clearly illustrated by the photographs shown at the hearing.

"Since 1966 two new wells have been added a mile downstream, one of which has been in operation since that time. Trees along the river in the area of the lower operating well now show the same defoliation that forewarned the destruction of the groves along the river at Farm Center. The same rapid erosion of the banks can be expected near the lower wells but in a much more hazardous environment.

"Near the first upstream wells the course of the river was toward rocky deflecting walls so that the effect of the erosion was merely a widening of the river with the loss of only a few acres of land. Near the downstream wells the course of the river is toward the sandy alluvial soil in the center of the valley.

"Except for the riparian vegetation which is being destroyed, there is no apparent natural barrier to deflect the river until it reaches the hillsides on the north side of the valley. But the regions between the present river course and the valley wall contain many homes. Should the river leave its present course in a period of prolonged rain it might carve an entirely new course through the soft and unforested valley floor.

"The water in those underground basins could be provided to the community without the dangerous potential of the present operations. The same amount of water could be pumped from a greater area so the water table would not fall below a level which causes destruction of riparian vegetation. Or the banks could be irrigated whenever the basins are depleted below the danger level.

"California American continues, for legal reasons obscure to me, to officially deny its operations are responsible for destruction of the vegetation and the river banks. I will summarize the arguments which show they are wrong.

"That trees and other vegetation have died in massive numbers in the areas of the upstream wells is denied by no one. The photographs of the groves in earlier years and the dead snags shown remaining confirm this.

"Professor Veihmeyer, Cal American consultant on the matter, indicated that depletion of the water table more than 10 feet would damage the vegetation. He also stated that rapid reduction of the water table could kill phreatophytes (willows). He told me that within 20 days after such a reduction the trees would begin to die.

"The enclosed charts show that in 1961 and 1966, years in which 2042 and 2162 acre feet respectively were exported, the water table was lowered more than 10 feet as far away as ½ mile from the wells. The maximum measured drop was 27.8 feet. Projected future pumping of 6,000 acre feet per year will lower the water table an average of 40 feet in dry years.

"Mr. H.E. Smith, a graduate forester, examined the area near the early wells. He confirmed the abnormal destruction of vegetation and stated that, "although climatic changes, river deepening, insects and disease might be contributing factors they cannot be considered primary factors." The only unusual features in that area, the primary factors, were three rapidly pumping wells exporting water from the basin.

"There is no reasonable doubt of the contentions as to the hazards of present and future pumping operations. Something should be done to protect the safety and welfare of residents in the pumped areas and those who live downstream.

"The County government has refused to accept responsibility to control the hazardous operations on the grounds that such operations fall under state legal jurisdiction. The Public Utilities Commission is the only state body that I know which has direct responsibility and authority.

"I urge you to withhold approval of a rate increase until California American has indicated a means of protecting the safety and welfare of the people of Carmel Valley while engaging in their operations and have included the costs of those means in the rate increase application."

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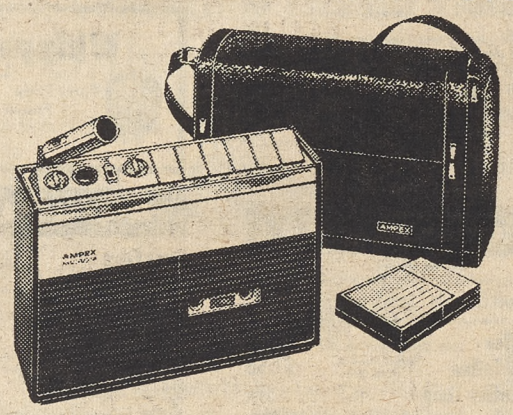

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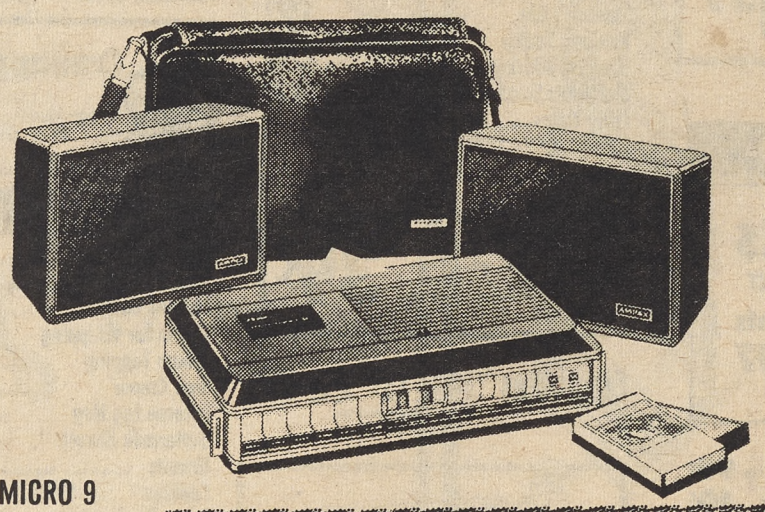

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Last week we mentioned some of the misrepresentations that unethical pet dealers will resort to. One last word of warning: people advertise "Chihuaha-Poos" and "Cocker-Poos" at fancy prices. They often assure the enchanted buyer (for they produce adorable puppies) that these dogs will be recognized by the American Kennel Club for registration "any day now." Forget it.

The intentionally-crossbred dogs, be they "Cocker-Poo" or "Doberman Pinscher-Poo" are crossbreeds. The AKC couldn't be less interested in registering them as purebreds. And if you want to pay $25 or $50 for these pups, at least be aware that they are nothing more than crossbreds and no better, really, than the average mutt. They are adorable and lovable; whether they are worth fancy prices or whether you should take a trip to the S.P.C.A. to adopt a pet is up to you.

Assuming that you have your heart set on a certain dog or cat and have located a source, there are things you should be looking for before you buy.

Wherever you go to buy an animal, pet shop or private breeder, the first thing you'll want to look at is the place where the puppies or kittens are kept. There is no excuse for filth. With young puppies, you can expect a puddle or two, but not an accumulation of droppings. Kittens should have clean, dry litter pans, without a "cattery" odor. There should be no old, encrusted feed pans, no dirty bedding, no flies. There should be fresh water in clean containers.

If you find filth in any form -- leave -- and tell the person why! You cannot expect to buy a healthy pet if it has been kept in unhealthy surroundings.

Generally, you should not buy a pet less than six weeks old. Puppies and kittens should nurse for six full weeks and earlier separation from their mother should raise questions as to why. Eight weeks is an ideal age to buy a pet. The babies are "on their feet" and at an optimum age for socialization with humans. Don't feel, though, that anything older than eight weeks is too old. As long as the puppies or kittens have had regular human contact, the 10 or 12 week or older animal, is every bit as ideal and in many ways easier to train than the younger baby.

You will want to see the mother if she is available. She should be clean and friendly. If she looks haggard and thin, you can wonder if she's had enough to eat to feed her brood. Thin coats are a side effect of maternity in animals, so don't be too critical about that.

Watch the pups or kittens. No healthy animal is listless or apathetic. They may have been asleep, but upon awakening they should be alert, curious, playful and friendly toward people.

You want a friendly, outgoing animal. It's easy to lose your heart to the little one huddling forlornly in the corner -- but don't! Chances are he'll develop into a shy adult -- and you might wonder why the breeder didn't take the time to coax him into more trusting ways.

Well-bred litters appear uniform in size and coloring -- thus making the choice so much the harder. A uniform litter is an indication of good breeding. Avoid the largest or smallest in a litter, no matter how they stand out. While "runts" often grow to full size, they may be smaller and weaker for life.

Healthy puppies and kittens have clear eyes, clean ears, white teeth and shiny coats. There should be no discharge from eyes or nose. Ears should have no odor and should be free of coffee-grind-like particles which indicate ear mites.

There should be no bald patches on coats, and the puppies or kittens shouldn't scratch much. They should be firmly fleshed, but not overly fat or pot bellied, an indication of worms.

Except on breeds who have intentionally stunted or crooked legs, like Bulldogs or Dachshunds, legs should be straight and clean. Backs should appear level -- unless you're buying a Bedlington Terrier or a Bulldog -- and back legs should come straight down -- not turn in at the hock.

Check for blindness and deafness by moving your hand and snapping your fingers behind the animal's head. Check the stomach for umbilical hernia, a firm, rounded protrusion at the navel. Check the tummies for redness or scaly patches -- a sign of skin disorders.

Ask what the animals are being fed. Be suspicious of vague answers. "Table scraps and things" is not a suitable diet for growing babies.

Find out what inoculations have been given and what is still due and if they've been wormed. If you are buying a dog whose ears should be cropped or tail docked, they should have been done by eight weeks. Inquire into this, and ask what care they require.

Don't think you're being silly or fussy to look into these matters. You'd ask as many questions before buying a car, wouldn't you?

If you're satisfied by what you've seen and, as usually happens, you've been chosen by a particular puppy or kitten, you'll want a signed registration certificate if the animal is registered, a complete diet and a record of inoculations and wormings and a bill or sale or transfer of ownership.

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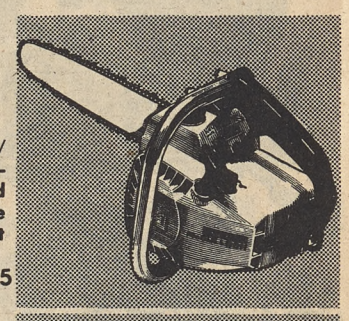

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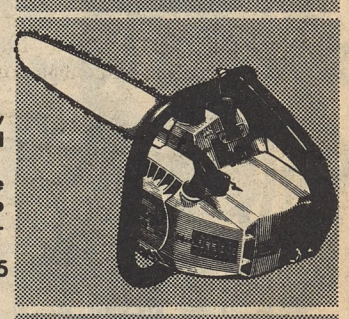

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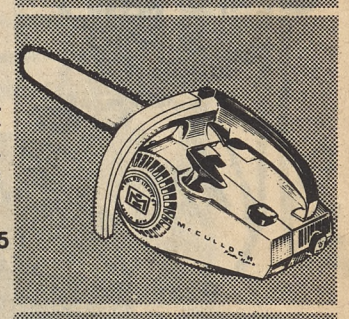

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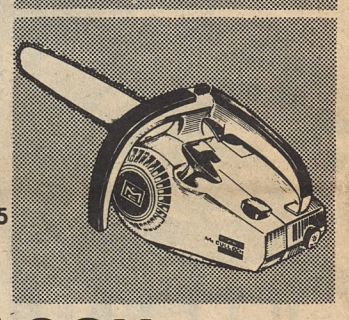

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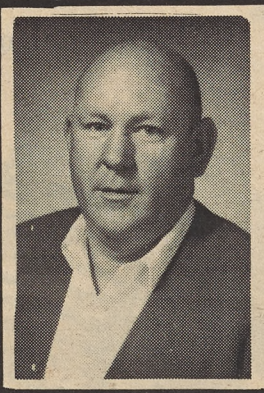

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The 7th grade led with 104 or 46 percent; the 6th grade had 102 or 43 percent and the 8th grade included 96 or 38 percent of the class.

"It is highly gratifying to see this many students on the honor roll at this time of the year," Rogers said. "We hope it is an indication that our students are interested in achieving at school."

Those achieving highest honors and high honors are as follows:

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Jo Anne Willard Bohle weds Thomas S. Musser

Jo Anne Willard Bohle became the bride of Thomas S. Musser Nov. 28 in her mother's Carmel home. The Rev. James Brock of St. Dunstan's Church, Carmel Valley, officiated.

The bride was attended by her daughter, Wendy Bohle, and the groom's attendant was Joel Bartlett.

A glow from many candles softly lighted the ceremony. Vows written by the bride and groom were exchanged.

A champagne buffet followed.

Mrs. Musser is an honor graduate of the University of Texas and is general services supervisor at KPIX television station in San Francisco.

Mr. Musser graduated from the University of Indiana and has his master's degree from the University of Washington. He works with the Educational Television Center, University of California Medical School.

The couple will make their home in San Francisco.

Christmas Program at Middle School

The annual Christmas Program of the music department of Carmel Middle School will be presented at the meeting of the Middle School Parent-Faculty Club on Thursday night at 7:30 in the school gymnasium.

Among the groups to perform will be the Middle School Advanced Band under the direction of Henry Avila; the Middle School Chorus directed by William Purdy, the String Ensemble directed by Miss Sharon Jones, and a special band ensemble group conducted by John Farr.

All parents are cordially invited to this program of traditional Christmas music and carols.

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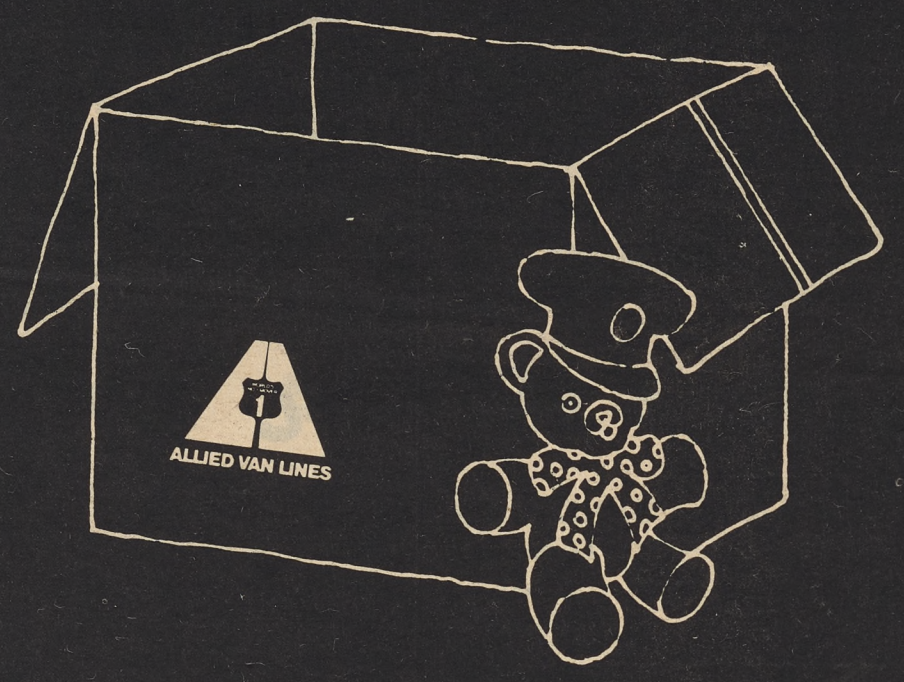

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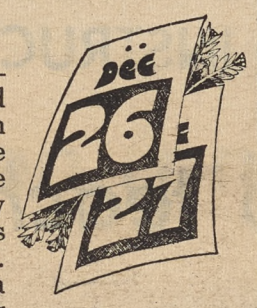

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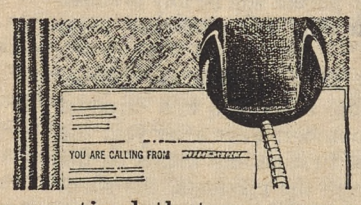

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Middle School seeks to stimulate more interest in social studies

The Carmel School board zipped through several routine action items last week before hearing a lengthy report on the social studies program at Carmel Middle School.

William Mallek, chairman of the social studies department, and several teachers described in some detail several special projects, games, discussion techniques and open-ended subjective tests used to stimulate student interest in social studies.

Study in the sixth grade, which focuses on Latin America, starts with a look at early man, continues through the Indian cultures and colonial period and then jumps quickly to contemporary times.

The seventh and eighth grade program is being coordinated as a single unit, with attention focused this year on world history, and next year on American history and the Constitution.

All teachers stressed that one of the key things they hope to teach children is how to listen to one another, how to make a presentation and be able to defend it with facts, and to develop respect for the opinions of others. This type of learning, they feel, is of more lasting value than mere rote memorization of piles of statistics and names.

None of the teachers use the state textbooks for anything more than basic reference material, prefering to work with library materials, film strips and various group activities to teach the subject matter.

OTHER MATTERS

In its routine business, the board:

1. Approved a maternity leave of absence for Mrs. Marcia Cook, second grade teacher at Tularcitos School, for the spring semester. Dan Yurkovich said the district is in the process of interviewing temporary replacements for Mrs. Cook, but that "finding someone as good as she is will be very hard."

2. Appointed Clyde Samora as assistant director of transportation for the school district. Samora, an experienced mechanic and long-time school district employee, will not receive additional pay in the new position.

3. Approved district participation in the Vocational Education Act work-study program, which will support two students on a work-study program for the academic year. The county will pay $560 of the cost, and the Carmel district must add $180.

4. Authorized the district to sell four obsolete vehicles, including a tractor, a panel truck and two pick-up trucks, as soon as possible, and preferably before any of them need any more repairs.

The board's next regular meeting is set for Wednesday, Dec. 23.

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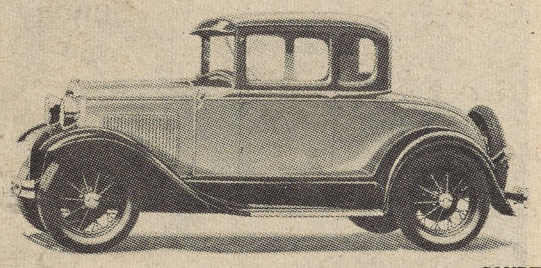

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JOHN FARR, TULARCITOS MUSIC INSTRUCTOR . . .

He loves to teach music

BRIAN STAUFFER shakes in time to the beat while going over the words of a Christmas carol.

BY PAT GRIFFITH

When the Tularcitos School band strikes up "Oh Come, All Ye Faithful" for the annual Christmas music program tonight (Wednesday), the youthful performers won't be the only ones feeling joyful and triumphant.

If all goes according to plan ... if the right notes ring out in the "Carol of the Bells" ... if the drums don't overcome "Silent Night" ... if the six and seven-year-old singers don't dissolve in a chorus of giggles, no parent will be any prouder than the beaming maestro of the mini music makers, John Farr.

A music teacher for 30 years, 23 of them in the Carmel school district, Farr has planned, rehearsed and directed more programs than he can remember. Year after year the process has been the same -- the first painful bleats on the horns, the uncertain squeaks from the clarinets, the shrill sharps and thudding flats falling like raindrops all around. And then, a few weeks or months later, the sound of music -- real music.

"At the beginning the child is really enthusiastic about his instrument. It's a new toy," Farr says.

"But there's no such thing as an easy instrument -- they're all hard. And once the enthusiasm wears off, in about a month, that's the rough time. If they don't have lots of support, and needling, from their parents to keep it up, they'll quit.

"Or, if they're musically inclined, they'll decide that they started on the wrong instrument, and want to start fresh on something else. So we always see kids around who think they're a jack of all trades in music, because they have played lots of instruments for two or three months each. The truth is, they can't really play any of them.

"So they've got to get through this tough part. It's a period of plain, disagreeable hard work. It's hard to say how long it takes kids to get through this period. If you can get a student to practice every day without fail, you have a chance with him.

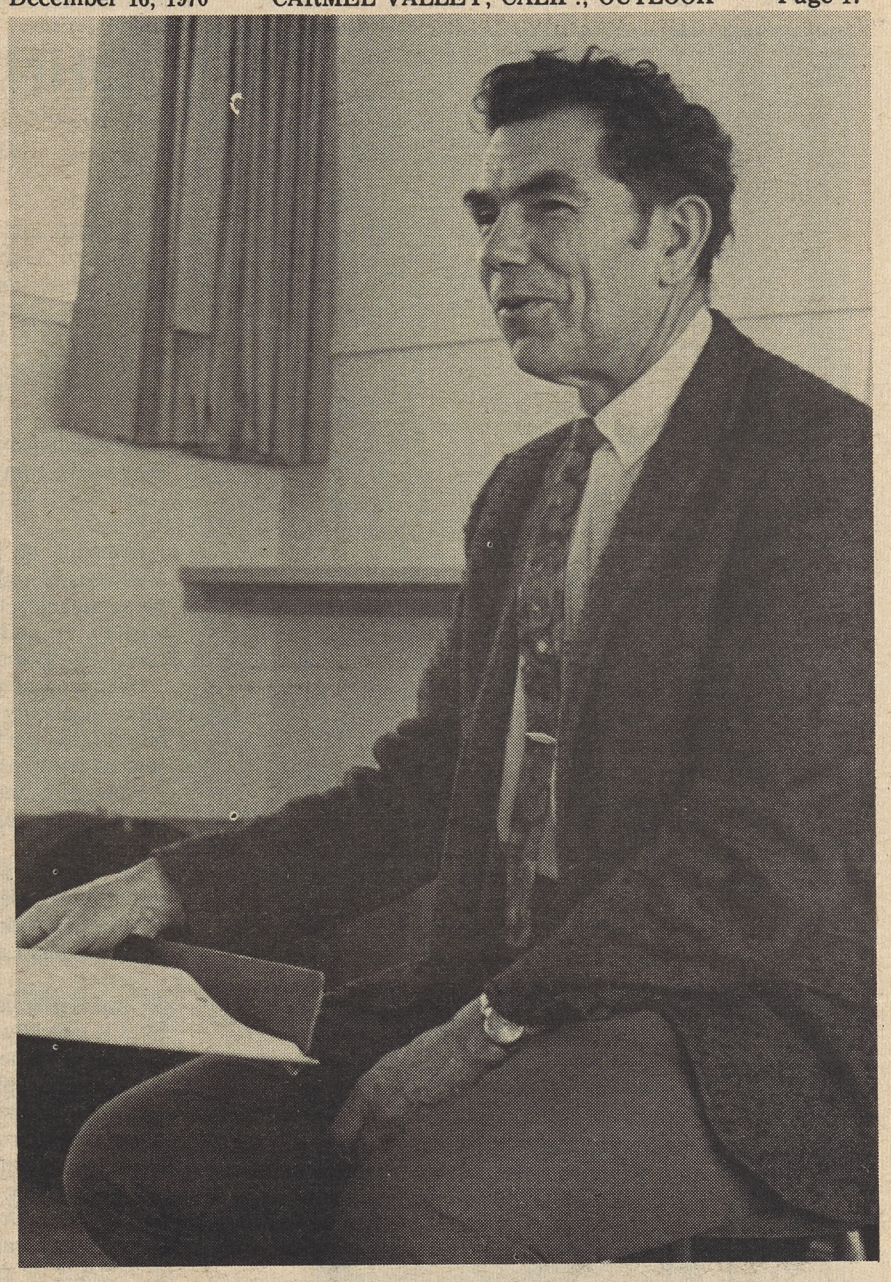
"I don't care how long he practices, if he does it everyday, pretty soon he will play longer on his own. Once they can play, the pressure is off."

THE PRACTICING PROBLEM

Farr agrees it is hard for a parent to know just how to press on practicing.

"There's no doubt but what we have lost many, many music students through the piano," he says. "The kids simply revolted so strongly against being forced to practice for an hour a day that they wouldn't have anything to do with music, period.

"So how far do you go? I think first of all the parent should let the child decide what instrument he wants to play, and



QUICK WITH A SMILE AND WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT, John Farr cajoles, instructs and inspires the children at Tularcitos School to make the most of their musical talents. At the far left, he helps Donnie Gayman through a difficult rehearsal. Cecelia Crippen asks him a question about a song in the second picture. An extremely popular teacher with all grade levels, his face is as expressive as his hands in directing the chorus, above, or discussing a piece of music, right.

to children (and they love him)

then let the child decide what would be a good time in his daily schedule to practice. Then, when the child has picked the time, he should be held to it. Not for a certain length of time, but for some practice every single day.

"Of course, sometimes I hear about the contrary problem. Kids come to me and say there's no place for them to practice at home, that they can't practice in the house because it disturbs someone watching TV, and they don't have a garage to practice in. Sometimes these are just excuses, but sometimes it is true that the parents just don't care to arrange things so the child can practice."

Even at Tularcitos School, which has its own music room and probably the strongest elementary music program in the district, there is little opportunity for individual practice, and Farr doubts that the day will soon come when adequate soundproofing will make it possible.

Farr shifted to Tularcitos from the high school two years ago. He's now there full time, except for a daily early-morning class at Middle School, where he teaches beginning and intermediate instruments, and one morning a week when he visits other schools as co-ordinator of classroom music.

The district-wide program to introduce recorders to all third, fourth and fifth grade students this year is his special project. The program is well along at Carmelo and River schools, and has begun for all the third grade at Tularcitos and one fourth and one fifth grade class.

The purpose of the program is to teach all children to read music, which in more than a few cases means teaching teachers how to read music, and to let them learn a simple instrument which they can play and enjoy all their lives.

As a side benefit, the district hopes that some children with musical talents that might otherwise have been overlooked will feel encouraged to try other instruments.

MYSTERY TO MANY

"So many people think of written music as a great mystery," Farr smiles. "And that's understandable, because we think of music as a totally auditory experience. It wasn't until about the year 1000 that music was first put down on paper, so you can see it's really in its infancy as far as writing goes."

Lack of enough students who can read music is one reason school bands and orchestras are hard to come by, and a big factor in the decision to start a formal musical education in the third grade.

As a general policy, students aren't given a chance to learn other instruments until they are in the fourth grade. The district expects elementary school children to furnish their own instruments, but over the years Farr has gradually collected an assortment of instruments he can lend eager students. And the district has given some money to purchase some of the more unusual instruments, such as a bass drum.

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AN EAGER BEAVER CORPS of drummers keeps things thumping along for the Tularcitos band. Rogan Hattan, Valerie Farmington, Kent Swanson and Peter Shepard take turns playing different numbers, even accompanying songs such as "Silent Night" which are not normally considered pieces for drums.

STAR MALLORY sings out in a chorus rehearsal.

LORI ASCARATE follows every note as she rehearses for tonight's big performance.

JOHN FARR . . .

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Clarinets and trumpets are the most popular starting instruments, and they can be rented locally for $8 to $10 a month. Farr himself started his musical career by learning to play the trumpet when he was in the fifth grade.

The son of a Methodist minister and a musically-oriented mother, he grew up participating in church choirs and began conducting a church choir while attending high school in Salinas.

He mastered the French horn during college days, and by the time he completed his studies at the College of the Pacific (now UOP), he could play at least a scale on any instrument around.

Although he has stopped playing French horn with the Monterey County Symphony, he serves as the symphony's personnel director, and also as president of the Carmel Music Society. In addition, Farr directs the choir at the Pacific Grove Methodist Church.

Over the years, Farr has noticed children getting more and more musically aware, thanks to music coming at them at all hours from portable radios and TVs, from elaborate stereo sets at home and from loudspeakers at supermarkets.

Ironically, the sooner a child develops a critical ear for listening, the harder it usually is for him to master an instrument.

"Why don't adults try to learn new instruments?" Farr asks. "Because they are critical. They know what music should sound like, and they know they can't start off making an instrument sound right.

HOW IT SOUNDS

"But if you have a fourth grader, he can take a violin and play it horribly, and it is fine with him, because he doesn't know how it should sound. However, if you have a child who has become sophisticated about music, who has listened a lot and has developed definite impressions of how it should sound, he will react the same way as an adult. He won't want to try it himself."

The current popularity of electric guitars also poses problems from the school's viewpoint.

"The technique on these guitars is extremely simple, and it is difficult for us to justify it as a musical experience," Farr says.

"Of course there is classic guitar. Now that is something else. But very few students can bring themselves to become a classic guitarist. You have to practice that as diligently as you do any other instrument. And if you do succeed, what will you do? Be a solo performer on a classic guitar? Your chances are just about nil."

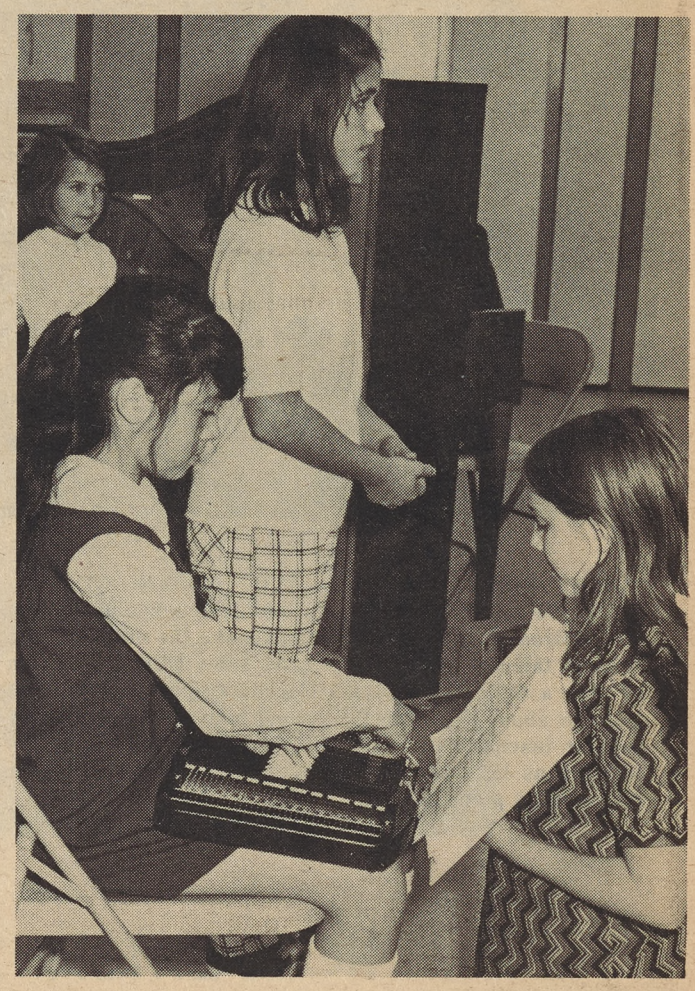
Farr feels many students are missing a great opportunity for musical futures by not learning to be piano accompanists.

"Most pianists don't read well enough to accompany someone, or they don't have the proper understanding and empathy. But this is a great field...accompanists are always in demand, and good ones are very hard to find."

Farr harbors no lingering dreams to be on the concert stage as a performing artist. A born putterer and fixer (he built all but the foundation of his Carmel Woods home, and delights in fixing up old instruments for his young pupils to use), he finds full satisfaction in turning a boisterous group of youngsters into a smoothly performing chorus or band.

Which is why he'll be bouncing about Tularcitos School today, a beaming, if slightly rumpled Pied Piper, urging small hands and young voices on to still greater achievement, and joy.

Photos by George T.C. Smith

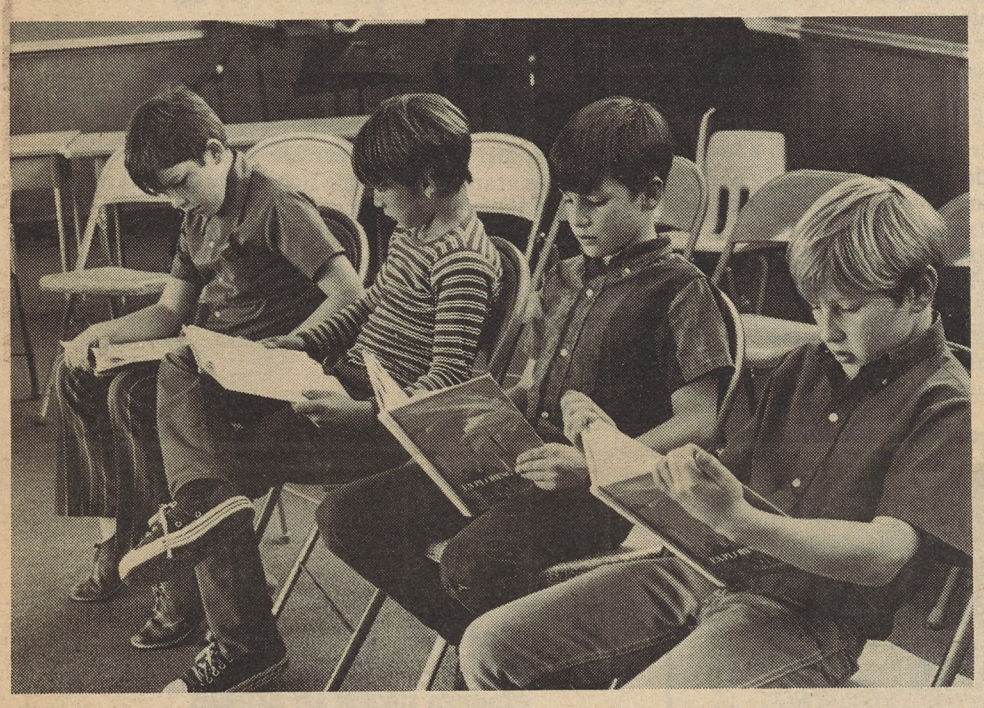


SHARON WONG tries playing an autoharp while Alison Hill holds her music. JoLynn Stusek is standing in the background.

THE TULARCITOS CHORUS rehearses Christmas carols one more time for tonight's big Christmas program for parents and friends in the community. The traditional musical salute to the Holiday Season starts at 7:30 p.m., but people are advised to get to the multipurpose room earlier to be assured of a seat.

CLARINETISTS Donna King, left, and Stacia McFaddan get ready to play while Anna Pozzi, right, seems interested in something going on across the room.

TAMBOURINES make music fun, especially for boys. Enjoying every minute of it are Chris Anderson and Charles Harlander.



WHAT ALL THOSE DOTS and jiggles mean isn't exactly clear to Max Kuenkel, Marty Manjares, Brian Stauffer and Tom Vanetta, but they'll soon find out, with some help from John Farr.

AND A ONE, AND A TWO and away they play, following the direction of music teacher John Farr. Anna Pozzi manipulates her accordian, while Stacia McFaddon, Sharon Wong and Becky Lambert play behind her.

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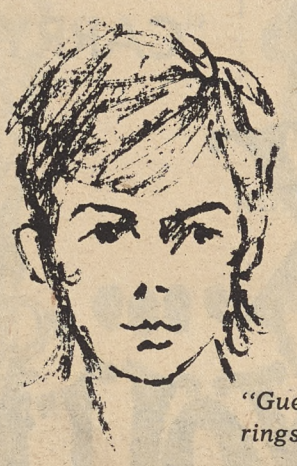

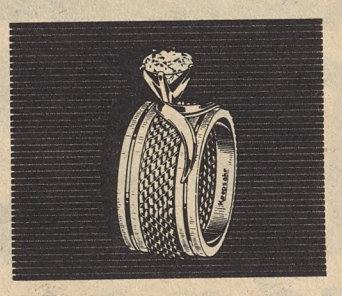

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Jim Jordan featured in Studio's 'There's a Girl in My Soup'

"There's A Girl In My Soup," opening Friday at the Studio Theatre-Restaurant, has Jim Jordan in the role of the sophisticated gourmet in whose London flat the comedy is laid. Jordan appeared in "Mary, Mary" and "Catch Me If You Can" at the Studio, in "Walter Mitty" at the Circle and in several First Theater productions.

Brit Lind, last seen in "Any Wednesday," plays the "mod" Soho girl who proves more than a match for the suave man-about-town. She has just completed a speaking role in the Clint Eastwood film "Play 'Misty' For Me."

LaVonne Rae Andrews (Clare), often seen in Naval Postgraduate School Little Theater shows, has been in "Black Comedy," "Stop The World" and "George M!" for the Studio, while Bob Beckstrom (Jimmy), after taking part in "Annie Get Your Gun" last summer, has recently been in "Merton Of The Movies" at Carmel H.S.

John S. Baker (Andrew Hunter) was seen on stage in "Stop The World," "Annie" and "Brigadoon" and was co-producer of "Cat On A Hot Tin Roof" at the Naval Postgraduate School.

John Sullivan (John) will be remembered as the breathless deliveryman in "Barefoot In The Park" at the Studio where he also appeared in "Black Comedy" and "Arsenic And Old Lace." At the Circle he has done "Ten Little Indians," "Three Bags Full," "Sweet Charity" and "Anything Goes."

The cast is completed by Betty Burr (Paola) who is making her stage debut.

"There's A Girl In My Soup", under the direction of Bill Asp, will play Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights at the Studio with an augmented holiday schedule which includes December 26 through 31.

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Sunrise to Sunset

Listening to our little Carmelites from Carmel River School last Tuesday evening, one's faith in humanity in the whole human race is once again revived, or restored. The chorus and orchestra brought down the house, and it was a full house—from stem to stern, or rafter to floorboard. Those "sugar and spice and everything nice" little girls in their choir robes were more than charming. Their musical director and accompanist-teacher was most proud of their shining hour, and rightly so. Our stage never looked more delightful than graced by hanging angels, and the old fashioned Christmas tree in our lobby, popcorn and all, was so reminiscent of other schools and other Christmas programs.

You can always bank on a very attentive audience when proud parents are on hand.

The hours are ticking away at great speed, as the calendar dates near December 25th, and our Christmas events lure me away from the beautiful view of the Monterey Bay, in itself, a gigantic display of lights, like sparkling jewels.

One realizes more than ever how masterful musicians really are when everything is right on cue, in spite of last minute changes. We were most appreciative of the last minute change in the Chamber Music Concert last Sunday when Mr. Toth filled in for Mr. Krachmalnick, and we are pleased to hear he is much better after a sudden relapse. The concert was beautiful and the audience most responsive.

Next Tuesday evening the Carmelo School will present their Christmas Program, and it is an inspiring sight to see the enthusiasm of these youngsters, at any age, wee, small, or large.

Just to remind you one last time about the annual Christmas Capers, coming up the week before the big event, Dec. 18 and 19. Mr. Giles and his Carmel Youth Center plan far in advance each season for this event.

Bob Horne and Barbara West are still in foreign lands. However, the grapevine tells me Bob will be in next Monday to set up beginning painting classes once again. Carol Brown's sculpture classes are still going strong and those of you who would like to try your hand with clay, including clay slab construction, traditional armature clay method, or hollow technique, or even in wax, if so desired, give Carol a call in Studio 13, 624-8633 or 624-3996 for reservations in January.

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Under the direction of Bill Asp, "The Tunnel Of Love" will have limited rehearsals until after the holidays when the full rehearsal schedule will begin, pointing toward an opening in late January or early February.

With Tom Ewell, Nancy Olson and Darren McGavin, the comedy was a success of the Broadway season 14 years ago and became a popular movie.

Further information concerning the Studio production may be obtained at 624-1661 or 624-2321 and alternative audition times may be arranged by those unable to attend Saturday or Sunday afternoon.

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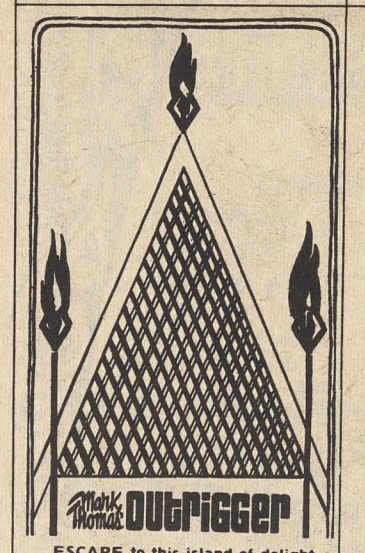

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Lisa Du Pratt gave a talk on the Arabian Horse, Ellen Bibler - the Quarter Horse, Tez Gibson - the Appaloosa, Bill Goodrick - the Mustang, Brenda Nuckton - the American Saddlebred, Emily White and Jennie Mink - Ponies and Lauri Petkus - the Standard Bred.

The club members purchased and delivered a turkey and a large basket of groceries to a needy family in Seaside. Thanks to a discount given by our local Safeway, the club was able to purchase a large amount of food for this family of eight children. Liz Darch, Mary Lynn Askew, Heather Golden, Laura Wilson, Mary Beth Ingram, and Brett Gayman planned and purchased the Thanksgiving Basket.

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Medical Emergencies

There were no fire calls in Carmel Valley last week, but the fire department was kept busy answering calls for medical assistance.

Last Wednesday the first aid crew was called to Chews Ridge at 8:35 a.m., where Delbert Loney of Santa Cruz had accidentally shot himself in the right leg. A branch caught on the pistol he was carrying, pulling back the hammer and firing a bullet into his leg at the knee. He was taken to Community Hospital.

On Friday the department provided emergency inhalation for Warren Pattison of 6 Barbara Way when he had difficulty breathing while waiting at a local barber shop. He did not require further treatment.

Early Sunday morning the department's Red Cross ambulance again headed up the Valley to the Cachagua Road east of the Tassajara Road. A car driven by Jimmie Lee Robinson, Jr., 17, of Salinas, skidded going around an icy curve and plunged into a creek, injuring Robinson and his passenger, Joanne Shook, 18, also of Salinas. Both were taken to Community Hospital.

At 9:04 a.m. Sunday Mrs. Florence Wheeler of 24 Hitchcock Road was taken to Community Hospital after she had difficulty breathing.

In another accident, not covered by the Carmel Valley Fire Department, Jeannette Keppelman of Carmel received moderate injuries when her car collided with one driven by Margaret Niebel at Carmel Valley Road and Rio Vista Drive.

The accident occurred at 6:40 p.m. Saturday.

WEATHER

	High	Low
Dec. 8	61	45
Dec. 9	59	38
Dec. 10	63	33
Dec. 11	66	35
Dec. 12	64	34
Dec. 13	58	32
Dec. 14	56	35

RAINFALL

Dec. 8 - .08 in.
Dec. 9 - .10 in.
Dec. 13 - .28 in.
Dec. 14 - .01 in.

Rainfall this season - 6.18 in.
Last season to date - 1.36 in.